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4 November 1944.

SUBJECT: Allied Translator and Interpreter Section, SWPA.

TO : Commanding Officer, Pacific MIRS.
THRU: Chief, Military Intelligence Service.

1. Attached hereto is a very interesting progress report from ATIS. It has much of interest to your new organization.

2. A brief written report, indicating how your activity is developing, would be appreciated.

CLAYTON BISSELL,
Major General,
A.C. of S., G-2.

1 Incl. - Cy #83 ATIS SWPA
Progress Report
19 Sep 42 to 8 Sep 44.

MIS/DInt
SFG/ejg/5509

Exploitation of Japanese Air Documents.

Comment #1, SGF 5509

Dir/Int Chief, 28 Oct
MIS 1944

1. Present status exploitation of Air documents is that no personnel from Navy has joined. Initial requirements for non-language technical Air officers from the Navy can be covered for the first 30 days by one officer, further requests for non-language technical Air officers from the Navy to be determined on the basis of volume of Air documents to be received by P/MIRS.

2. Five Navy officer linguists who are to serve as translators should join P/MIRS on or about 7 Nov 1944.

/s/ A Mc

Alfred McCormack
Colonel, GSC
Dir/Int, MIS

4 Nov 1944

C/MIS Dir 4 Nov
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Capt Beltazzi says (over phone) that 5 language officers are having orders processed now. 1 non-language officer will take a little more time but he will let me know.

/s/ RAO

Noted

/s/ A Mc

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Policy Staff Group I
HHT/6034

Release of Military Information to the French.

COMMENT #1.

Chief,
Policy
Staff

AC of S,
G-2 THRU
D/AC of
S, G-2

27-10-44

I. Statement of the Problem.

1. The Policy Staff has been approached by various members of the Military Intelligence Service from time to time requesting information as to the policy on the release of military information to accredited military representatives of France.

II. Discussion.

2. Due to the recent change in the status of France by the recognition of the French Provisional Government by this ~~xx~~ country, and due to the fact that the French troops are fighting on the Western front, it is believed that a review of the question of release of military information to the French is necessary.

3. As far as Europe is concerned, the French must now be viewed as an active ally.

4. Politically, the ~~xxxxxxxx~~ position of the French in the Far East is still in doubt. Decisions regarding French military activity in the Far East known to this office envisage the utilization of French Forces in that area only as token forces.

5. The recommendations of the Chief, MIS, contained in a memorandum to the AC of S, G-2, dated 26 July 1944, have been considered (Tab A).

6. This matter has been discussed with the French Specialists (Lt Col Delane and Lt Col Kenyon), and Policy Staff solution has their informal concurrence. The Policy Section, OPD (Lt Col Buttles) was contacted but we were informed that OPD had no interest in the matter and that it was purely a military intelligence decision.

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III. Conclusions.

7. On 12 July 1944, the AC of S, G-2, approved, signed, and dispatched a memorandum to the Chief, IIS, Subject: Policies on Release of Military Information to Accredited Military Representatives of the United Nations, (Tab B). It is believed by the Policy Staff that France should now be included under the provisions of the above-mentioned policy with the exception of the release of information to them concerning the Far East.

IV. Recommendations.

8. That the AC of S, G-2, approve, sign and dispatch the inclosed memorandum to the Chief, IIS.

/s/ Feodor O. Schmidt
FECDOR O. SCHE IDT
Colonel, GSC, WDGS
Chief, Policy Staff

3 Incls:
Tabs A and B.
Prepared memo to IIS

COMMENT NO 2
JW 72534

D/G-2 G-2 31 Oct 44

1. Recommend that par 3 be amended as follows:

"Military information relating to the Far East will be made available to the French, under the above cited policy, in accordance with the limited French participation in Asiatic and Pacific operations envisaged by JCS 547/2, November 8, 1943."

/s/ JW
JOHN WECKERLING,
Brigadier General,
Dep AC of S, G2/

G-2 MIS 31 Oct
PS
In turn

Approved C. Bissell Far East is most delicate and tied in with political considerations. Wish all cases re Far East to be brought to my attention.

/s/ C Bissell

Chief, Deputy 2 Nov
MIS C/MIS

See that information and instructions in foregoing "comments" are thoroughly understood and coordinated by all concerned.

To Director of Intelligence:
For compliance. CWC

/s/ RAO

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D/Int Sup Reports (1)
 Sup Research (2)

3 Nov # 5
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For compliance with comment #3 and attached memo from ACS-G2.

For the D/Int
/s/ Melick